



# Meeting Minutes

**City of Gainesville  
Airport Advisory Board Meeting  
Airport Terminal Conference Room  
Monday, December 8, 2008  
10:30 A.M.**

**Members Present:** Nancy Brannon, Ginger Herrmann, Carroll Johnson, Richard Lira, Mike McKenzie, Dan Ott, and Earl Russell

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Dave Vinton

Richard Lira, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:32 A.M.

The **second item of business** was Discussion and Action on meeting minutes from October 27, 2008. Carroll Johnson inquired about the L-3 Communications testing at the airport. Director Vinton advised that they were conducting propeller testing for an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV). A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mike McKenzie with a second from Nancy Brannon. Ayes: Brannon, Herrmann, Johnson, and McKenzie. Nays: None Absent: Ott and Russell.

The **third item of business** was Citizen / Tenant Comments, none were made.

The **fourth item of business** was an Update on the TXDOT Grant. Mr. Vinton reported that the City Manager has given the go-ahead for the design work on the runway overlay project. It will be for a 3¼" overlay and will take approximately 4 to 6 weeks to complete. At that time, the cost should be known and the city will need to deposit matching funds for the project to proceed to the bid phase.

City Manager Barry Sullivan arrived at 10:50 A.M. Mr. Sullivan explained that changes in account reporting are taking place and this should enhance the evaluation of the airport's financial position. He further stated that the sale of a hangar and land lease transfer by Circuit Breaker Sales to B-29 Ups and Downs did have a break-down in communication between the City Manager's office and the airport. Mr. Sullivan also reported that both parties requested an expeditious approval concerning this sale and

transfer. Carroll Johnson stated that he felt that the Airport Director and the Airport Board should have been advised of the sale prior to its commencement and they could have called a special meeting to give their recommendation. Mr. Sullivan said, and most agreed, that improvements have been made in several facets of city government where the airport is concerned, and that he wants to continue the forward momentum that has taken place.

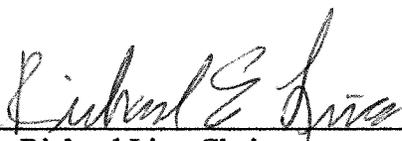
Dan Ott and Earl Russell arrived during this discussion.

The **fifth item of business** was an update on the airport Agricultural Lease. Director Vinton advised the board of Grant Krahl's bid and that the airport will try to use some of the monies to clean out the ponds and erect new fencing. This should increase the value of the property and make it more marketable to future grazing lessees.

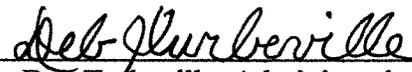
The **sixth item of business** was Airport Director Reports. Mr. Vinton reviewed the fuel sales for October and November, 2008. Mike McKenzie inquired about the free flight type of airplanes and their use. Mr. Vinton explained that they are hand made of paper or fabric and balsa wood. They utilize rubber bands or small electric motors that propel the aircraft for 5-10 seconds. At the end of the power cycle, the aircraft glides freely to the ground.

Director Vinton advised the board that board member comments will not be allowed in board meetings due to Attorney General Opinion GA 0668 from Texas Attorney General, Gregg Abbott, and that any topic a member would like to discuss will be added to the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

The **seventh item of business** was to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Ginger Herrmann with a second from Mike McKenzie. Ayes: Brannon, Herrmann, Johnson, McKenzie, Ott and Russell. Nays: None. Absent: None



Richard Lira, Chairperson



Deb Turbeville, Administrative Assistant